

And Saul Eyed David

1 Samuel 1:20-30

1 Sam 18: 20 Michal Saul's daughter loved David--This must have happened some time after.

they told Saul, and the thing pleased him—Saul had his spies. They reported back to him concerning Michal...and David

Saul saw that it would be turned to the advancement of his malicious purposes, and the more so when, by the artful intrigues and flattery of his spies, the loyal sentiments of David were discovered.

1 Sam 18:21-25

25. Dowry--In Eastern countries the husband *purchases* his wife either by gifts or services.

King intimated that he would be pleased to accept some great deed

a hundred foreskins of the Philistines—Common practice in war to mutilate bodies of prisoners of war.

Saul knew this assignment was very dangerous.

Saul was hiding his malice and hatred.

1 Sam 18:26... the days were not expired—

The period within which this exploit was to be achieved was not past.

The period before the appointed time for the delivery of the dowry and marriage

1 Sam 18:27 David . . . slew of the Philistines two hundred men

Number doubled—

Show respect and attachment to princess

Oblige Saul to the fulfillment of his pledge

Full Tale: number.

1 Sam 18: 28- 29. Saul was yet the more afraid of David

God had publicly shown him favor.

By overthrowing the conspiracy against him

By taking him to the next step to the throne (marriage to daughter)

1 Sam 18:30 ...so that his name was much set by.

Greatly esteemed. Great reputation. Everybody knew of his character.

What have we seen in the life and attitude of Saul toward David?

1 Sam 18:8 And **Saul was very wroth**, and the saying displeased him;

Saul was very wroth: "to burn within.

1 Sam 18:9 And Saul eyed David ...(watched with jealousy)

10...and there was a javelin in Saul's hand...

11 And **Saul cast the javelin**...

12 And **Saul was afraid of David**...

14... David behaved himself wisely ...

15... **Saul ... was afraid of him.**

21 And Saul said, **I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him,**

25 And Saul said ...say to David; the king desireth ...an hundred foreskins of the Philistines,

... But **Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.**

1 Sam 18:28 And Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that Michal Saul's daughter loved him.

1 Sam 18:29 And **Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became David's enemy continually.**

Jealousy: Personal

Envy: Others—If I can't have it, then neither can you!

ISBE: *Envy is the grief that a man feels for the prosperity of another person; it is a compound of pride and malice; it derives misery to a man from his neighbor's happiness. The blessings and mercies of God are turned by it into curses; and the life of another man is the envious man's death.*

....We are jealous of our own; we are envious of another man's possessions.

Jealousy fears to lose what it has; envy is pained at seeing another have.

Prov 27:4 Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?

Stand: to stand, in various relations; to abide, continue, dwell, be employed, endure, remain, ...

Envy: I don't want him to have the popularity and blessings if I can't have it.

How did Saul handle his Feelings of Jealousy?

1. Didn't face Real Issues.
2. Didn't Yield himself to God
3. Didn't let others Help.
4. Didn't Share Feelings of Jealousy with David.

How David handle Saul's Jealousy?

He didn't Seek God.

For those experiencing this kind of jealousy

1. Have you faced real issues?
2. Have you yielded yourself to God for His Help? James 1:5
3. Have you allowed another Christian friend to help you?
4. Have you shared your feelings of jealousy with person?

What if another is Jealous of You?

1. Reevaluate motives
2. Seek Advice from another Mature Christian.
3. Pray for this person. Mat 5:44

4. Face problem with God's point of view Mat 7:3-5 Mat 18:15-17

Mat 7:3-5 Thought: your whole focus in on the little sliver in your brother's eye. You are not considering the huge 2 by 4 in your own eye).

4 How can you say to your brother, let me take the sliver out your eye... let me help you with your problem...and you don't even deal with the huge plank of wood in your own eye....

5 Deal with your own problems first, before thinking your can help your brother.

Mat 18:15-17

Tresspass against thee: violate God's Word in relation to you.

Fault: to reprehend severely, chide, admonish, reprove; to call to account, show one his fault, demand an explanation

16 *If he will not hear thee:* attend to; consider what you say.

Every word: spoken word

Established: set in place; fixed.

Jay E. Adams: Self-pity has two dimensions: malice and envy. "Look what he did to me! The rat! I'd like to bash his head in for doing that to me."

Have you ever wondered why self-pity is so unpleasant to observe? Have you wondered why it is so destructive to those who wallow in it? Well, clearly malice and envy, based on pride and self-importance, are not very pretty to behold, even under the (sometimes thinly) disguised veneer of self-pity.

Remember, when dealing with someone who is knee-deep in self-pity, he or she is an angry, envious person who is bewailing bitterly the good deals others get in contrast to what has been meted out to him or her. Otherwise, you may miss the main point: this counselee must be brought to a place of submission to and satisfaction with the providence of God. Perhaps, then, you can help him or her to begin making the efforts needed to achieve greater success in life, whether that means greater effort leading to desired results (rather than energy wasted on fretting), better handling of difficulties and unchangeable circumstances, or both.